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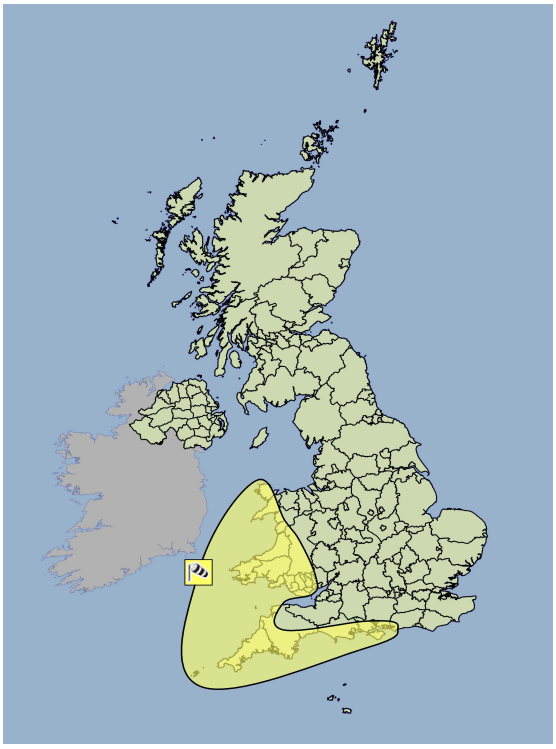

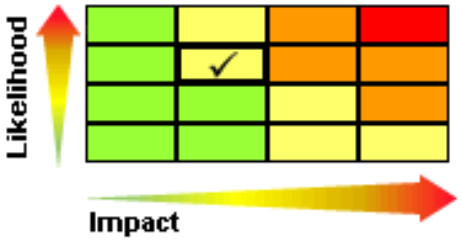

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A deep area of low pressure will pass close to North West Scotland during Wednesday evening, extending bands of heavy rain and gales across many areas from Wednesday afternoon into Thursday morning. Strongest gusts are likely in coastal areas exposed to the southerly winds. Heaviest rain will be on high ground in the west, with the potential for both river and surface water flooding.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Alert** of **Wind**

Valid from **15:00 on Wed, 18th Dec 2013** until **23:59 on Wed, 18th Dec 2013**

Heavy rain and gales will affect South and West Wales, South West England and some southern coastal counties of England on Wednesday evening. Gusts will reach 50 to 60 mph quite widely, with 70 mph gusts likely in exposed coastal areas. Heavy rain may also cause some localised flooding across parts of Wales and South West England. The rain will clear and strongest winds will ease by the early hours of Thursday morning.

The public should be aware of the potential for minor disruption.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

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